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MEETING OF THE MONTEREY LIBRARY TRUSTEES
Held at the Monterey Library
April 11, 2016

PRESENT: Kenn Basler, John Higgins,
Mickey Jervas and Lisa Smyle
Via Skype: MaryPaul Yates
Library Director Mark Makuc
Absent: Beth Reiter

Meeting was called to order - 7:09pm.

MINUTES: The minutes of March 7, 2016 were corrected and accepted by motion made by Kenn and seconded by John.

DIRECTOR'S REPORT: With good weather prevailing, the Easter Egg hunt was a huge success. About 30 children and 20 adults attended hunting the more than 600 eggs inside the library and on the lawns. The event was again supported by the Monterey Coffee Club and Friends of the Library. Mary Makuc was in charge of obtaining the eggs and candy; Marya and Justin Makuc, and Kenn Basler assisted Mark with overseeing the hunt. The police were in attendance to keep all safe.

The schedule for the Saturday morning Summer Programs is completed and is as follows:

7/02 - Jim Snack, magician
7/09 - Tom Seiling, singer
7/16 - Mike Bent, magician
7/23 - Merdyth Babcock, Dr Marmalade, puppeteer
7/30 - Book Sale
8/06 - Mary Jo Maichack, singer/storyteller

Mark, Rebecca Tamol-Kay of EDM, and Dan Pallotta of P3, attended the Construction Grant Information Session in South Hadley on March 23rd. The MBLC expects 30 libraries to apply for the 20 available grants, which will be distributed over an 8-10 year period. A grant will only pay for the building [and rolling shelves], no landscaping, no driveway, etc.

Three votes are required from the Townspeople at Town Meetings. The first is Town approval to apply for the construction grant. The second is approval of the schematic design. While there will be estimates given with the schematic design, no money is involved in the first two

approvals. The third vote, to be at an Annual Town Meeting, is to approve the cost to the Town.

A review^{of} our accounts show that payments for the first nine months of the fiscal year appear to be falling within budget. Mark is still awaiting Accountant Paul's decision about releasing funds from the Abercrombie account for use in purchasing materials. Kenn is trying to set up a meeting between the Treasurer, Accountant and various department heads so that questions from all sides can be addressed and ironed out.

CHAIRMAN'S REPORT: Lisa brought up the subject of Town Meeting, which occurs before our next meeting. Mark will provide her with numbers so that she may answer any questions from the floor.

A letter dated March 21st was received by Lisa from the MBLC advising us that the second half payment of FY16 State Aid in the amount of \$993.85, for a total of \$1,977.22, will be made via electronic transfer within the next few weeks.

An e-mail from the MBLC advised us that the "Trusty Trustee Pocket Guide" is now available on-line. Hard copies were sent to libraries last summer but some, including Monterey, did not receive them. Mark can ask to have hard copies sent, or we can just access the 20 page document on-line.

OLD BUSINESS: None

NEW BUSINESS: None

The meeting was adjourned at 8:14pm by motion made by Lisa and seconded by Kenn.

NEXT MEETING: Monday, May 9, 2016 - 7pm
Agenda - Discuss Building Committee Progress

Submitted by: Mickey Jervas, Secretary